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comprising said DNA, and a host cell;

III. Claim 11, drawn to an antisense nucleic acid molecule;

IV. Claims 12 and 13, drawn to an antibody;

V. Claims 14-19, drawn to a method for identifying compounds;

VI. Claims 20-23, drawn to a compound;

VII. Claim 24, drawn to a method for inhibiting cell division *in vitro*;

VIII. Claims 25-28, drawn to a method of inhibiting cell division *in vivo*;

IX. Claims 29 and 31-36, drawn to a method of treating cancer;  
and

X. Claims 30-36, drawn to a method of treating microbial  
infection.

In response, applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-3, drawn to a protein, with traverse for prosecution at this time.

The Examiner also stated that Group I is further subject to election of a single disclosed species. The Examiner asserted that claim 1 is generic to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species comprising Sml1 proteins from different sources, namely (a) human Sml1 protein, (b) rat Sml1 protein, (c) mouse Sml1 protein, (d) microbial Sml1 protein, (e) plant Sml1, and (g) insect Sml1 protein.